



KCStat Follow-Up Memo  
Public Safety KCStat Meeting  
May 2, 2017, 9:00 AM

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The Public Safety KCStat meeting on May 2, 2017 focused on reporting progress toward the objectives outlined in the Adopted 2017-2021 Citywide Business Plan (see Section 5 below). Major discussion points, follow-up items, and data questions that arose at the meeting are summarized below. For questions on these items, please contact Kate Bender ([kate.bender@kcmo.org](mailto:kate.bender@kcmo.org) or 816-513-6567).

1. Major Discussion Points From Meeting

- a. Per KCPD, the rise in violent crime is partially attributable to rise in drug-related offenses. Often conflicts over drugs that start as assaults lead to homicides.
- b. In a discussion of police-community engagement, Mayor James encouraged a stronger focus on engaging neighborhoods in order to promote trust and communication. In particular, COMBAT's door-to-door engagement was cited as a potential model.
- c. Overarching needs to assist in crime prevention/reduction include: legislation to require reporting of lost/stolen guns (currently preempted by state law), involvement from judges to give longer sentences to the worst offenders, and adequate jail space to ensure offenders are not released early.
- d. Discussion of the No Violence Alliance (NoVA) focused on the efforts underway to engage all of KCPD, particularly the Patrol Division, in NoVA. Another boost to NoVA's capacity will be the additional resources for gun analysis, through NIBINS.
- e. Discussion of Aim4Peace's grant-funded Trauma Response program led to a robust conversation about how to expand this and connect with KCPD to ensure that there are resources and staff support blended into our crime response. It was acknowledged that KCPD is not in position to play a social worker role, but there should be a focus on how to coordinate to bring these resources in where and when they are needed.
- f. KCFD presented information on their pre-apprenticeship program, which will allow high school graduates to work for KCFD upon completing their EMS license exam. KCPD is seeking to create a similar ROTC-type program in high school to engage kids earlier; however, unlike KCFD, they cannot hire police officers until they are 21. Mayor and KCPD staff discussed opportunities to employ/engage these youth in the meantime, including working as a DFO or calltaker, or working with the community in a non-sworn capacity.
- g. Municipal Court discussed the sustained impacts of their new docketing system, which has substantially decreased time to first setting and the number of officers notified for court. Per KCPD, overtime for court has decreased by 18% for the beginning of this calendar year compared to last year before the docketing solution was in place. Municipal Court is continuing to watch the timeframe to disposition, which has not yet changed, but is also impacted by an easier process to get a first continuance. Municipal Court is also looking to add partial payment ability online to continue to reduce the number of people who have to come to court.

2. Follow-Ups for Departments (to report back at November KCStat Meeting):
  - a. Mayor James, City Manager, and Police leadership committed to taking time to walk through neighborhoods, go door-to-door and talk to people about their concerns. (Mayor's Office, City Manager's Office, KCPD)
  - b. Provide update on newly revamped NoVA youth engagement program that is being coordinated out of the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office, including number of schools involved, number of youth involved, and any early outcomes. (KCPD)
  - c. Report on impact and outcomes for Office for Victims of Crime Grant as well as coordination with KCPD to sustain and deepen this effort. (Health -Aim4Peace)
  - d. Connect with Parks Department to identify any opportunities to extend PAL programming to Parks and Rec facilities or locations. (KCPD)
  - e. Provide update on impact evaluation for KCATC. (KCATC)
  - f. Provide update on ISO rating process and outcome, and any related data. (KCFD)
  - g. Provide update on development of high school training program. (KCPD)
  - h. Report on outcomes of technical assistance for specialty courts. (Municipal Court)
  
3. Data Questions (to report back at November KCStat Meeting)
  - a. Report data on trends in drug offenses, by type of drug if possible, and any trends in drugs recovered. (KCPD)
  - b. Report data on gun violence (aggravated assault committed by firearm) to inform discussion on violent crime. (KCPD)
  - c. Provide more detailed data on crime committed by youth to inform discussion on trends. (KCPD)
  - d. If available, provide data on resource constraints and resulting challenges, including amount of time beds are at capacity and impact of any funding cuts. (KCATC)
  - e. Provide data and analysis on any changes in repeat clients and demographics of clients for ATC in second 6-month period. (KCATC and OPM)
  - f. Provide data on measurement/outcomes related to KCFD training improvements as well as - pre-apprenticeship program. (KCFD)
  - g. Undertake more complete analysis of pet licensing data, including uptick in 2016 (OPM in partnership with NHS-AHPS)
  - h. Consider analysis (if possible) of other crimes (especially gun issues) with regard to domestic violence docket clientele to better understand their other interactions with the system. (Municipal Court)
  
4. Next Meeting for Public Safety KCStat: November 7, 2017, 9 AM, 10<sup>th</sup> floor Committee Room, City Hall

5. Objectives from the Adopted 2017-2021 Citywide Business Plan

#	Objectives relating to <b>Crime Reduction</b>	Target Timeframe
2	Reduce crime among all age groups, placing an emphasis on young offenders	Ongoing
10	Investigate the feasibility of body cameras for the Kansas City Police Department	November 2017
#	Objectives relating to <b>Emergency Services</b>	Target Timeframe
3	Measure the impact and effectiveness of the Kansas City Assessment and Triage Center (KCATC)	July 2017
7	Develop and implement the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) legislation that amended Chapter 208, RSMo to provide for supplemental reimbursement for ambulance services to MO HealthNet participants	2018
8	Evaluate and identify areas of opportunity in the Fire Department's emergency response delivery system to ensure the best patient outcomes	2017
#	Objectives relating to <b>Public Safety Staffing</b>	Target Timeframe
1	Complete a Kansas City Police Department staffing study and develop a multi-year plan to implement the approved recommendations.	January 2017
9	Review, enhance, and develop programs of the Kansas City Police Department (KCPD) and Kansas City Fire Department (KCFD) to improve diversity of employee recruitment, succession planning, and retention.	November 2017
#	Objectives relating to <b>Animal Safety</b>	Target Timeframe
4	Prevent animal-related threats to public safety and support animal welfare through improved pet license compliance, education, and effective animal response operations.	Ongoing
#	Objectives relating to <b>Fair, Efficient, and Pragmatic Justice</b>	Target Timeframe
5	Measure the effectiveness of the Municipal Court's docket system changes utilizing the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) court performance measures	August 2017
6	Continue to refine and implement standards and policies of the City's specialty courts to meet national best practices	Ongoing